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Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder visits Jefferson City School to promote The Power of Eleven Cents Program

Program proceeds go to Military Families Fund

Jefferson City- Lieutenant Governor Peter Kinder read the book, 'I Pledge Allegiance' to students at Moreau Montessori School in Jefferson City today, and urged them to participate in the Power of Eleven Cents program, a new program created by the Lieutenant Governor to help raise funds for the new Missouri Military Families Relief Fund. Kinder signed the bill that created the fund in St. Louis this past June.

"The Power of Eleven Cents is a great way for school-age children to learn the importance of being involved with their community" said Kinder. He added, "This program reminds us all that even the smallest effort to help others in need can make a real difference."

The Power of Eleven Cents program was started this year by Lt. Governor Kinder this year after hearing a story about a three year old boy in Missouri. As the story goes, a young three year old was going with his mother (an Army reservist recently returned from Iraq) to see a live performance of "Dora the Explorer," a theatrical presentation. In his hand, he carried 11 cents. Before they left, his grandmother told him to put it in his pocket, to which he replied, "No, Grandma, give it to your injured soldiers".

From this Story, The Power of Eleven Cents program was started in support of the Missouri Military Families Relief Fund. For more information, contact Pat Kerr at 573-522-4220.